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*The New England College of Optometry
Awards Ceremony
Class of 2009*



*“Celebrating 115 Years of Excellence
in Optometric Education”*

*Saturday, May 30th, 2009
2:30 P.M.*

*Back Bay Events Center
Boston, Massachusetts*

PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

F. Dow Smith Award

Leadership abilities in the profession

Matthew Bauer

Dr. Edward Joseph Troendle, Jr Award

Class member who has given highly of himself to college and profession

Matthew Bauer

Dr. Hyman R. Kamens Award

Demonstrated leadership and commitment to others in the field

Anna Sleeper

Alumni Association Award

Outstanding service to the profession and the community

Radbert Chin

National Optometric Student Association Award

Outstanding eye care service to Boston's underserved communities and exceptional leadership commitment and integrity

Anhthy Trinh

ACADEMIC AWARDS

Valedictory & Beta Sigma Kappa Medal

Highest cumulative GPA in class

Christine Donahue
Kristin Glavine
Kristy Wooler
Cleo Yeh

Salutatorian Award

Second highest cumulative GPA in class

Haley Dawn Backus

Advanced Standing International Program

Scholastic Achievement Award

The highest cumulative GPA in the Advanced Standing Program

Ekta Patel

William R. Baldwin Award

Highest cumulative GPA in the Advanced Optometric Degree Program

Weiqun Guo

STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS

Served Three Years

Matthew Bauer
Radbert Chin
Andrew Helman
Anna Sleeper

Served Two Years

Kelly Cyr

Served One Year

Isabel Alonso
Aleem Bandali
Andrew Chan
Meritza Rondon Kluge
Loan Trieu
Anhthy Trinh

CLINICAL AWARDS

Outstanding Clinical Performance

William C. Barrett Scholarship

Outstanding clinical skills at an Omni Center

Ekta Patel

Class of 1969 Scholarship Award

Outstanding clinical performance

Kelly Cyr

The New England College of Optometry Award

Superior knowledge and competence in patient care

Kelly Cyr

Marchon Eyewear Practice Management Award

Outstanding clinical and dispensing skills in practice management

Anna Sleeper

MiraMed Tech Award

Excellence in clinical performance

Shannon Hooker

Contact Lens

Alcon Award

Outstanding expertise in contact lens

Brian Godard

GP Clinical Excellence Award

Enthusiastic about GP lens design and materials, desire to improve fitting skills

Anthony Zieja

Vistakon Award of Excellence in Contact Lens

Excellence in contact lens patient care

Anna Sleeper

Pediatrics

COVD Award for Excellence in Vision Therapy

Strong interest and clinical skills in vision therapy

Amy Camerota

Ira Schwartz Behavioral Vision Award

Excellence in pediatric optometry

Rajvinder Pabla

BETA SIGMA KAPPA MEMBERS

Dipty Acharya

Lauren Greene

Priya Patel

Haley Backus

Weiqun Guo

Michael Peters

Matthew Bauer

Robyn Hull

Jayasaree Seshadri

Erin Bowser

Rachel Irwin

Poonam Sharma

Kamal Chaaban

Amanda Jiminez

Rebekah Smith

Andrew Chan

Lauren Kain

Elesha Starkey

Zheng Chen

Tyler Lowe

Andrea Vosbikian

Sara Crussana

Marni Madden

Bin Wang

Kelly Cyr

Jared Most

Kristy Wooler

Christine Donahue

Nina Mueller

Cleo Yeh

Kristin Glavine

Anna Opydo

Ling Yu

Brian Godard

Rajvinder Pabla

Anthony Zieja

Melanie Gonzalez

Ekta Patel

Low Vision

John E. Asarkof Scholarship

Outstanding performance in vision rehabilitation

Gina Troiano

Eschenbach Award for Excellence in Low Vision

Aptitude in interest in low vision

Milly Mui

William Feinbloom Low Vision Award

Outstanding achievement in low vision

Robyn Hull

David J. Kerko Low Vision Award

Interest and exceptional clinical proficiency in low vision

Christine Giblin

Teaching Excellence

Foster Namias Award

Superior teaching, outstanding service to students, highly knowledgeable in his field

Erik Weissberg, OD

Carroll Martus Award

Excellence in teaching, outstanding service to students, highly knowledgeable in his field

Ronald Watanabe, OD

PREVIOUSLY AWARDED

Beider Moral Obligation Scholarship

Dr. Warren H. Beider recognized brilliance in students

Andrew Chan
Kelly Cyr
Brian Godard
Tyler Lowe

Alumni Scholarship

Students in good academic standing who have financial need and potential for active alumni participation

Matthew Bauer
Elesha Starkey
Anthony Zieja

Wallace F. Molinari Memorial Scholarship

Recognition of excellence in academics in honor of Wallace F. Molinari

Kristy Wooler

Stacy Rosemore Friedman Endowed Scholarship

Recognition of excellence in academics in honor of Dr. Stacy Friedman Pinsker

Elesha Starkey

Vision Service Plan Scholarship

Outstanding academic record and excellent delivery of primary eye care

Christine Donahue
Kristin Glavine

